



Denny Triangle Neighborhood Notes

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We drove the grid of streets within Denny Triangle, as a follow-up to the perimeter/entrances survey of 9/2002. We documented directionals, architectural elements, and neighborhood-identity features.

Summary

Denny Triangle has no particular neighborhood identity, either advertised or implied. In the southeast, it shares some characteristics with the Commercial Core neighborhood. In the northeast, it borders and borrows from Capiot Hill. In the northwest, buildings are much shorter, and there are many service-type buildings.

Observations

Interior streets

At the southeast corner, Denny Triangle resembles Commercial Core: upscale streets bordered by very tall buildings. The Convention and Trade Center exerts a strong influence here, and there is some spillover from the retail district.

To the north, the emphasis shifts to smaller, older apartment buildings, similar to those found on Capitol Hill, with a scattering of newer buildings.

In the southeast (from approximately Virginia Street to the 6th/Denny corner), the buildings are dramatically shorter than those of Commercial Core and Belltown. This section has the feel of a “support” neighborhood for the surrounding areas: there are less-expensive hotels and motels, auto dealerships, gas stations, and a couple of markets.

Prominent landmarks and buildings in this neighborhood:

- The Convention Center transit station at Pine and 9th
- The Paramount Theater with its huge lighted sign, on Pine and 9th
- The West Precinct Police Headquarters, on Virginia and 8th
- (Under construction) the Federal Courthouse on Stewart and 8th
- Antioch College on Battery and 6th

- The Washington Library for the Blind (which has a tall blue logo sign that is very visible in this “low” part of the neighborhood) on 9th and Lenora
- The Elephant Car Wash (with its distinctive pink elephant signs) at Battery and 7
- While not exactly within this neighborhood, the monorail track is visible from it





1 seventh/hwy 99/aurora



2 sixth/battery



3 fifth/blanchard



4 fifth/virginia



5 olive/westlake



6 sixth/olive



7 seventh/pike



8 eight/pike



10 pine/I-5



11 pike/i-5



12 denny/stewart



13 denny/virginia



14 denny/fairview



15 denny/leonora



16 denny/terry



17 denny/ninth



18 denny/eight



19 denny/dexter



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2.72 Belltown next



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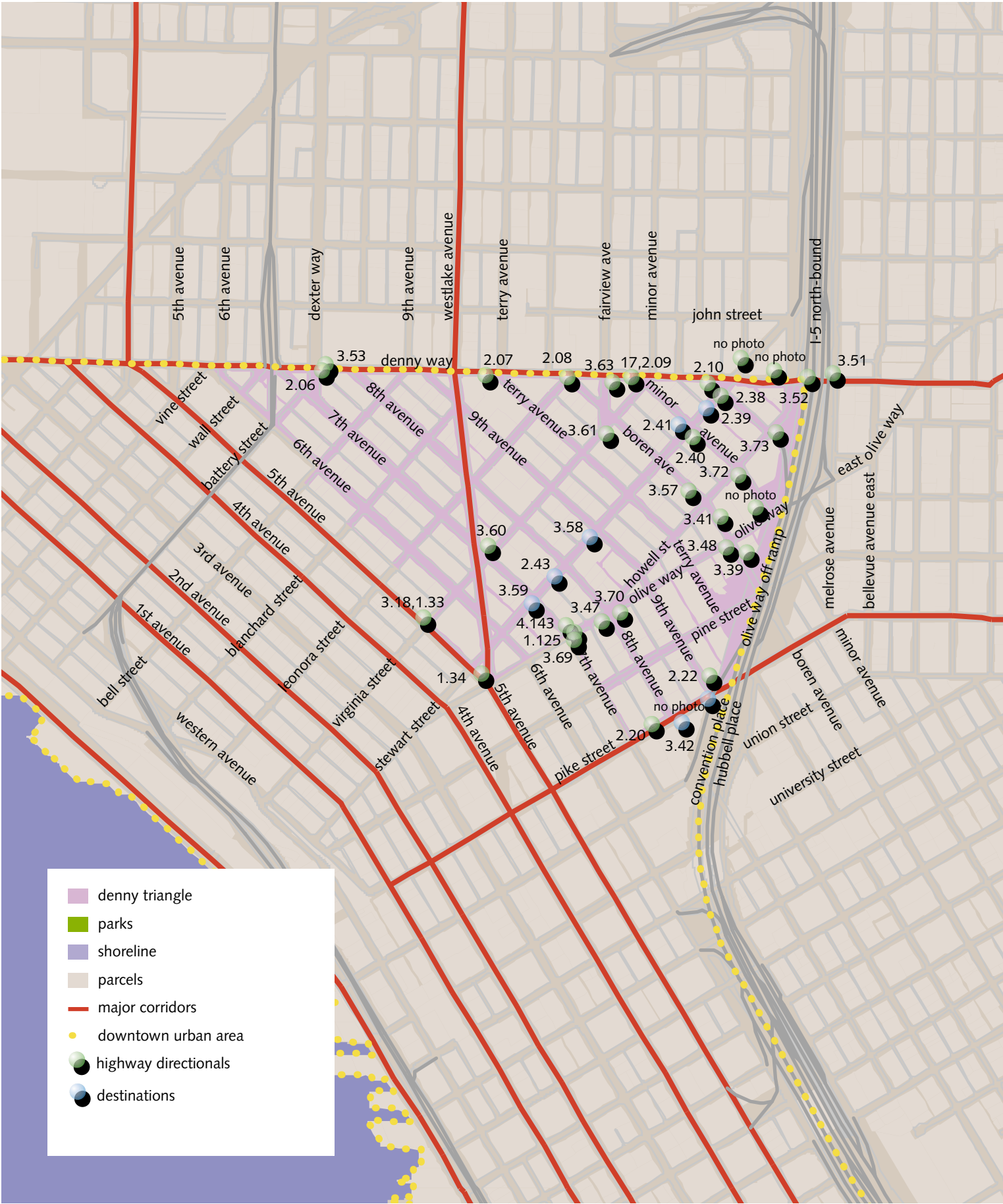
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